



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP) is announcing November as Marrow Donor Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, many people continue to die from leukemia and other life-threatening blood diseases because they are unaware that an unrelated bone marrow transplant could be life saving; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the NMDP is to facilitate successful transplants of hematopoietic cells from volunteer unrelated donors for patients of all racial and socioeconomic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is a goal of the NMDP to continue to increase the number of African American, Hispanic/Latino, Asian American/Pacific Islander, and Native American volunteer donors through focused recruitment efforts; and

WHEREAS, the registry of donors contains over 5.5 million volunteers who have agreed to become unrelated marrow donors for people unknown to them, but in need of a transplant; and

WHEREAS, the NMDP is working with its affiliated centers have facilitated over 20,000 unrelated transplants worldwide; and

WHEREAS, 80 residents of Idaho have received transplants;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2005, to be

MARROW DONOR AWARENESS MONTH

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this Thirty-first day of October in the year of our Lord two-thousand and five of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirtieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred sixteenth.

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Ben Ysursa in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE